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Re: Application of Johann ARNOLD, Herbert BERNECKER, Dieter BRUECKNER,
Franz-Josef GOETZ, Dieter KLOTZ and Juergen SCHIMMER
METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING REAL-TIME DATA MESSAGES IN A
CYCLIC COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM
Assignee: **SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT**
Our Ref. Q79724

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising twenty (20) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and three (3) sheets of drawings. Also enclosed are an Information Disclosure Statement, a Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), and one (1) reference. **Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE02/03434, filed September 13, 2002, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application.

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Germany	101 47 435.0	September 26, 2001
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The priority documents are enclosed.

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